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IN THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1-6. (Canceled)

- 7. (Currently Amended) An antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof which binds specifically to a kinase or subunit thereof, wherein said kinase phosphorylates IκBα (SEQ ID NO:9) at serine residues 32 and 36, the kinase being a complex of approximately 700 kDa molecular weight as determined by gel filtration chromatography or size exclusion chromatography.
- 8. (Canceled)
- 9. (Canceled)
- 10. (Previously Presented) The antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof of claim 7, wherein said antigen-binding fragment is selected from the group consisting of an F(ab')₂ fragment, an Fab' fragment, an Fab fragment and an Fv fragment.
- 11. (Previously Presented) The antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof of claim 7, wherein said antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof is selected from the group consisting of a polyclonal antibody, a monoclonal antibody, a single chain antibody, and a humanized antibody.
- 12. (Previously Presented) A hybridoma which produces the monoclonal antibody or antigenbinding fragment thereof according to claim 11.
- 13. (Previously Presented) The antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof of claim 7, wherein said antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof is detectably labeled.
- 14. (Previously Presented) The antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof of claim 13, wherein said detectable label is selected from the group consisting of a radioisotope, an affinity label, an enzymatic label, a fluorescent label and a paramagnetic atom.

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- 15. (Previously Presented) The antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof of claim 7, wherein said antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof is immobilized on a solid support.
- 16. (Previously Presented) A method of detecting a kinase in a sample, comprising:
 - (a) contacting the sample with said antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof according to claim 7, under conditions such that an immunocomplex forms, and
 - (b) detecting the presence of said antibody bound to said kinase.
- 17. (Canceled)
- 18. (Previously Presented) A diagnostic kit comprising:
 - (a) a first container means containing the antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof according to claim 7, and
 - (b) a second container means for detection of said antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof, wherein the means for detection comprises a label.
- 19. (Previously Presented) The diagnostic kit of claim 18, further comprising at least one container selected from the group consisting of a container comprising a wash reagent and a container comprising a detection reagent.
- 20. 26. (Canceled)